

Among the great figures to stalk through the history of Brant County was the renowned Mohawk Chieftain, Thayendanegea or Joseph Brant as most people know him.

Brant was born on the banks of the Ohio River while his parents were on a hunting expedition in 1742. Their home was in Mohawk Valley in New York State and it was there that Joseph Brant was brought up. Shortly after his birth, his father died and his mother married a man named Barned. The name was later changed to Brant.

Brant, at the age of 13, was befriended by Sir William Johnson, who had taken as his life partner Brant's sister Molly, following the death of his wife. Johnson commanded the forces sent to fight the French at Lake George in 1775 and it was here that Brant received his baptism of fire when he was 13 years old. The lad was not too sure of himself and history records that fear made Brant take hold of a sapling to steady himself when the battle began. Eventually, getting control of his nerves, the young warrior was able to present ample evidence of his ancestry. Thereafter, wherever Johnson went to fight the French, he was accompanied by the young warrior.



Col. Guy Johnson, who succeeded his uncle Sir William Johnson as Superintendent of Indian Affairs in 1774, made Brant his Secretary. He was also made principal War Chief of the Iroquois Confederacy.

During the next two years, the smouldering fires of discontent began to flare here and there until the colonists were in open revolt against the mother country. The rebels did their best to induce the Indians to fight on their side, however, Brant and his loyal redmen refused to take up arms against the 'White Father Over the Water, King George III.'

Brant Visits England

The year before the rebellious americans made their Declaration of Independence, Brant went to England to

confer with the British Government. A painting of Brant by the British artist, George Romney, now hangs in the National Gallery in Ottawa.

While returning to New York in May, 1776 aboard the 'Harriot,' the ship was attacked by a rebel privateer of superior force near the Carolinas. Brant and a companion who attended him picked off the rebel officers with a brass rifle presented to Brant by a Lord Townsent. The privateer sheared off and the 'Harriot' arrived safely in port.

Captain of the Northern Confederate Indians

During the revolution, Brant and his Indians harried the settlers, burning their farms. He was commended by many British officers for his activities and in 1780 was granted a commission as Captain of the Northern Confederate Indians.

In 1779, General Haldiman promised Brant land for the Six Nations at the Bay of Quinte. Learning of the location chosen by the Mohawks, the Senecas living in the Genesee Valley expressed disappointment that their brethren would be so far away when their aid may be required.



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General Haldiman was approached again and acceded to Brant's request for lands on the Grand River including what is now the Six Nations Reserve. A few years before his death, Brant built a large two story home on a tract of land at the head of Lake Ontario. The land was a grant from the crown and was directly north of the beach which divides the lake from Burlington Bay.

Name of Brantford Selected in 1827

Brantford's name dates back 140 years. It was in 1827 that the small village on the Grand River, with a mere handful of inhabitants, acquired that name. The Six Nations Indians who came to this locality after the American Revolutionary War, found the shallowest part of the river a convenient crossing point and it became known as Brant's ford, because Joseph and his braves made frequent use of it. The name that was adopted by the small community was soon simplified to the form Brantford. The spot known as Brant's ford is between the present C.N.R. and T.H. & B. railway bridges just downstream from Lorne Bridge and the city dam. In the early days of Brantford a small frame hotel stood at the west Brantford end of the ford and alongside it was an old well, rounded with stones. Traders who came to this area from the west crossed the river at this point before the days of the first bridge and if the river was high, they stayed at the hotel until the level had receded. Joseph Brant was frequently a guest at the hotel for the same reason.

When Brant became a County in 1852, Brantford Township became part of Wentworth County. Its irregular borders surrounded the City, creating some special problems which did not become truly painful until some 100 years later. Some historians lay the blame for the Township's irregular shape directly at the door of the County's prime hero, Capt. Joseph Brant. They say, he handled the sale of Township land with no particular regard for the resulting shape of the Township. Of course, at the time he was concerned only with getting as much land cleared and settled as possible.

Brant died on November 24th, 1807 at the age of 65. His remains were interred at Wellington Square (Burlington) but were removed to the churchyard at the Mohawk Chapel in November 1850. Brant's tomb also contains the remains of his son, Capt. John Brant who died in 1832. The tombstone was mutilated by souvenir hunters and it became

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Ocean County Coin Club National Coin Week Chairman, James Majoros, presents "PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD" to Art Daly for his George Washington exhibit. Daly's display was chosen over eleven other exhibits as the most popular exhibit during the club's National Coin Weekend Show & Exhibition held at the Ocean County Mall, Toms River, NJ.

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GSNA PICNIC SEPT. 9

Letter to Editor:

Mystery Solved

I received your Fourth Quarter, 1983 edition of your fine Numismatic Journal and read with great interest the cover sheet message about Youth In Numismatics.

About five or six years ago, the California State Numismatic Assoc. produced a small plate with this message in the center, a photo of it was featured in Coin World. We had many requests for the plates and they have all been sold.

The individual who was responsible for the idea and who produced the plates was Mr. Ed. McClung, a long time CSNA member who has always been a sponsor of junior programs. I am not certain that it was he who wrote the words, but feel that it was.

Sincerely,

Virginia M. Hall
Calcoin News Editor

It's picnic time again. Get your picnic basket and head for Morris County, N.J.

The date is Sept. 9 and the fun starts at 11 a.m. (see map, page).

Remember! All GSNA members, members of affiliated clubs, and prospective members are invited, along with their families and friends.

We furnish the watermelon, soda, beer and provide charcoal for the grill. An open bar will offer gin and tonic, 7 & 7 or scotch and soda. You bring the family and friends and whatever food you want.

Activities are planned for the young and the young-at-heart with prizes for the kids (walkie-talkie sets, radios) or you may use the park's facilities for swimming.

Admission is FREE and no tickets are required, just sign the register so that we know who came from where.

A day in the beautiful outdoors talking numismatics with old friends while you make new friends sounds like a real FUN-DAY . . . so plan to attend and bring a friend we can sign up for the GSNA.

No rain date.

1984 Medal Winner

The 1984 G.S.N.A. Convention Medal Design Contest was won for the third consecutive year by Junior member, Nancy Black, No. J-644.

Miss Black is the 14 year old daughter of GSNA Past President, Archie A. Black.

The colorful 3-inch cloisonne 1984 medal depicts the clasping hands of friendship.

Limited availability of the 1982, 1983 & 1984 medals will be offered at the Cherry Hill convention site for \$3.50 each. Persons not planning to attend the June 21-24th show at the Cherry Hill Hyatt may order either medals via the U.S. Mail, at \$5.00 each postpaid. Write to: G.S.N.A. Medal, P.O. Box 248, Brick, NJ 08723.

1984 GSNA Convention Schedule

Wednesday: June 20, 1984:

3:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Krueger Auction Lot Viewing	Salem Room
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Thursday: June 21, 1984:

9:00 a.m.	Krueger Auction Lot Viewing	Salem Room
9:00 a.m.	Bourse open to the dealers	Ballroom
11:00 a.m.	OFFICIAL CONVENTION OPENING CEREMONIES	
11:00 a.m.	Exhibit area open to exhibitors	Pre-Function I
6:30 p.m.	Israel Numismatic Society S.J. Dinner	Resort Room
7:00 p.m.	Bourse & Exhibit areas closed	
8:00 p.m.	Israel Numismatic Society S.J. Meeting	Resort Room

Friday: June 22, 1984:

9:00 a.m.	Krueger Auction Lot Viewing	Salem Room
10:00 a.m.	Bourse open to the dealers	Ballroom
10:00 a.m.	Exhibit area open to exhibitors	Pre-Function I
11:00 a.m.	Bourse & Exhibit areas open to the public	
5:30 p.m.	Krueger Auction First Session	Somerset Room
7:00 p.m.	Bourse & Exhibit areas closed	
7:30 p.m.	Bus trip to Atlantic City	

Saturday: June 23, 1984:

9:00 a.m.	Krueger Auction Lot Viewing	Salem Room
9:00 a.m.	Bourse open to the dealers	Ballroom
10:00 a.m.	Bourse & Exhibit areas open to the public	
10:00 a.m.	Y — N Program	Garden State Room
11:00 a.m.	GSNA PUBLIC MEETING	Burlington Room
12:30 p.m.	NJES Meeting	Ventnor Room
1:00 p.m.	Krueger Auction Second Session	Somerset Room
2:00 p.m.	Commemorative Society Meeting	Margate Room
2:30 p.m.	Bust Half Nut Club Meeting	Margate Room
3:00 p.m.	PAK Jefferson Nickel Meeting	Cherry Hill Room
4:00 p.m.	Educational Forum	Garden State Room
7:00 p.m.	Bourse & Exhibit areas closed	

Sunday: June 24, 1984:

9:00 a.m.	GSNA Awards & Club Representatives Breakfast	Garden State Room
10:00 a.m.	Bourse open to the dealers	Ballroom
11:00 a.m.	Bourse & Exhibit areas open to the public	
12:00 noon	ANACS Presentation	Somerset Room
2:00 p.m.	Exhibits maybe removed	
4:00 p.m.	9th Annual Convention Closes	

1984 ERRORAMA Convention Schedule

Thursday: June 21, 1984:

9:00 a.m.	Bourse open to dealers	Marlton Room
9:00 a.m.	Exhibit area open to exhibitors	Marlton Room
11:00 a.m.	All exhibits must be in place	Marlton Room
11:00 a.m.	Bourse & Exhibit areas open to the public	Marlton Room
12:00 noon	Tour of Philadelphia Mint (Sign up at ERRORAMA Table in a.m.)	
2:00 p.m.	Tour returns from Philadelphia Mint	
7:00 p.m.	Bourse & Exhibit areas closed	
8:00 p.m.	Wine & Cheese Fest (location to be announced)	

Friday: June 22, 1984:

9:00 a.m.	Bourse open to the dealers	Marlton Room
11:00 a.m.	Bourse & Exhibit areas open to the public	Marlton Room
7:00 p.m.	Bourse & Exhibit areas closed	
7:30 p.m.	Bus trip to Atlantic City	

Saturday, June 23, 1984:

9:00 a.m.	CONECA Board Meeting	Ventnor Room
9:00 a.m.	Bourse open to the dealers	Marlton Room
11:00 a.m.	Bourse & Exhibit areas open to the public	Marlton Room
1:00 p.m.	Error Symposium	Cherry Hill Room
5:00 p.m.	Exhibits may be removed	
7:00 p.m.	Bourse & Exhibit areas closed	
8:00 p.m.	ERRORAMA Banquet	Garden State Room

* NOTE: Additional educational programs will be held in the Marlton Room by ERRORAMA by special guest speakers during the regular bourse hours.

ERRORAMA '84

Errorama '84 will be presented this year in conjunction with the annual Garden State Numismatic Association Coin Show. This marks the first time in recent history of the Erroramas, that the Errorama is being held on the East Coast. Prior to this, it had been a tradition to hold the Errorama on the West Coast.

Just What is Errorama?

Errorama is the major national coin show dedicated to those who collect errors and varieties. As well as having all of the major national error and variety dealers on hand to buy and sell error coins, one of the main goals of the Errorama is education. To that end, an error symposium has been scheduled for 1 p.m., Saturday, June 23. All members of the public, whether error collectors or not, are invited to attend the educational symposium. A section of the bourse room is also being set aside and will be arranged to conduct mini-seminars and slide shows about error and variety collecting throughout the bourse hours.

In addition, a special exhibit and display area will be set up in the bourse room for people to enter both competitive and non-competitive exhibits. These exhibits themselves are often quite educational and the public is invited in during bourse hours to view the exhibits which will be on hand.

So if you have some sort of an interest in error or variety coins, or if you are just curious to see what the world of error and variety collecting is all about, please stop in and take a look around. The most famous names and dealers in the error and variety hobby will be on hand to help you in any way possible. If it is coins you are looking for, they will be there. If it is information you are looking for, it will be there. If it is a chance to talk to the big names in the error/variety hobby that you are looking for, they will be there. We certainly hope to see you there.

John A. Wexler,
General Chairman Errorama '84.

Falling Behind In Your Dues?

necessary in 1880 to repair it and renew the inscription tablet. A high iron picket fence was built to enclose the site. A memorial to Brant was built in Victoria Park Brantford, Ontario in 1886 at a cost to the Dominion and Provincial Governments of \$20,000.00

Brant Medal Struck

Founding of Brantford, Ontario, and Brant County, 1878. Brantford Coin Club helped in the design. This is the second time that Brantford, has minted a semi-official medal, the last time was in 1937, the 60th Anniversary of the incorporation of Brantford as a city.

In 1967, the City of Brantford issued a Centennial Medallion commemorating Joseph Brant. The obverse has the Arms of the City of Brantford with the legend "Birthplace of the Telephone-Agriculture Industry." The reverse shows the Joseph Brant Memorial with the legend "Canada's Centennial 1867-1967 Brant County" with the Centennial Logo. Bronze 100 minted.

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SELL GAS COUPONS FOR CASH

"The United States has 4.8 billion gasoline rationing coupons in storage that it doesn't know what to do with. The Federal government should sell some or all of them to raise badly needed revenues," said Chairman Frank Annunzio (D-Ill.) of the House Consumer Affairs and Coinage Subcommittee.

Annunzio has written to Secretary of Energy Donald Hodel urging him to do just that. "Since these coupons will never be used, I believe the sale of some of them would not only generate revenues to dispose of the remaining coupons, but would also raise a profit to help reduce the national debt," Annunzio wrote.

In his letter to Hodel, Annunzio pointed out that as chairman of the Subcommittee with jurisdiction over coinage and currency, he is often contacted by collectors expressing an interest in purchasing some of the rationing coupons. The Federal government raises millions of dollars in profits from the sale of coins, currency, medals, and souvenir cards to the public.

The rationing coupons were printed in 1974 at the height of the Arab oil embargo at a cost of \$12.5 million. The coupons, packed in 126,000 boxes, are in storage at the Army Depot at Pueblo, Colorado, at a cost of \$20,000 per year. Various suggestions to destroy the coupons have been rejected on a cost basis, with disposal costs ranging up to \$250,000. The Army has expressed an interest in disposing of the coupons, but only if paid \$100,000.

"With the nation facing record deficits, it is imperative that we take every innovative measure to reduce the deficit as much as possible," Annunzio wrote to Hodel. "With this Administration proposing record deficits, it is absolutely essential that every possible revenue-raising measure be explored. While the sale of these coupons might be unorthodox, it is no different from selling any other surplus government property. Since the Federal government has no need for them and there are apparently buyers willing to pay for them, we should sell these coupons and raise some cash," concluded Annunzio.

NEWARK MUSEUM OFFERS COLLECTORS PLENTY

"Coins, Medals and Tokens," a new exhibition at the Newark Museum, presents a survey of the major areas of the coin collection which began the year of the Museum's founding in 1909 with the acquisition of seven Oriental coins, April 27 - July 22, 1984.

On view are U.S. Commemoratives and medals made to record important events as well as privately-issued gold, U.S. coins of regular issue, extremely rare seige and emergency money, and coins, medals and tokens from the City of Newark and the State of New Jersey.

Also of interest are coins with portraits and other numismatic designs by well-known artists. Included in this group is a 1907 \$20 gold piece inspired by ancient Greek sculpture, designed by the famous American sculptor Augustus Saint-Gaudens at the suggestion of President Theodore Roosevelt.

Other portrait coins honor the achievements of Black Americans. Included are medals of civil rights leaders Whitney Young and Martin Luther King, Jr., Poetess Phillis Wheatley, abolitionist Frederick Douglass and jazz great Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong.

The coin department's most recent acquisition, a \$50 gold commemorative made in 1915 for the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco, celebrates the completion of the Panama Canal. Experts consider this octagonal piece to be one of the stellar gems in all U.S. coin collecting.

The exhibition also features rare foreign currency. Examples are emergency coins and tokens made during wars and panics when regular coinage was disrupted, such as the 16th-century Dutch wars of Independence from Spain. Multiple or oversize thalers struck by German

dukes during the 16th and 17th centuries and German notgeld tokens issued after severe post World War I inflation, are also of interest.

According to the show's organizer, Coin Curator Dorothy Budd Bartle, "The Newark Museum's coin collection is world-wide in scope and specializes in local Newark, New Jersey and American-made money. It is the only comprehensive public collection of its kind in our state, made possible through the generosity of prominent donors over the Museum's 75 year history. Of special note is the large and comprehensive gift of the late Museum trustee Frank I. Liversight of Westwood."

The Newark Museum, located at 49 Washington Street in downtown Newark, is open Tuesday through Sunday, noon to 5:00 p.m. The Museum is closed Mondays. Admission is free. For information call (201) 733-6600.

NEPOTISM BACKFIRES AT THE U.S. MINT

by Ted Weissbuch

Both Dr. Benjamin Rush and Elias Boudinot are well known figures in American history; both are also of interest to numismatists for their roles in our economic beginnings and Mint operations. Dr. Rush is best remembered as a signer of the Declaration of Independence. He was also a Revolutionary War patriot, the president of the Continental Congress from 1782 to 1783, and he served as Mint treasurer.

Boudinot was no less a patriot and served as director of the United States Mint from 1795 to 1805. He is also credited with presenting in Congress the motion which resulted in the celebration of the first National Thanksgiving day.

A lesser known fact is that Rush married Boudinot's niece. This fact serves as a key for unlocking the door to a feud between the two men. Long and bitter, the feud was suppressed by biographers of both famous men. However, today it is possible to reconstruct from published letters and other documents, the controversy that alienated their families and all but disrupted early minting operations.

The information presented here is one of the strangest, most bitter, and in some ways most humorous feuds recorded in American history. If nothing else, with the perspective of time, this family squabble demonstrates that even our most illustrious patriot heroes were human beings.

Among the several governmental positions held by Dr. Rush, as mentioned above, was that of treasurer of the Mint in Philadelphia. When Dr. Nicholas Way, the former treasurer of the Mint, died during a yellow fever epidemic in 1797, Rush prevailed upon his wife's influential uncle to persuade President Adams to appoint him to Way's former position.

Although reluctant, Boudinot did succeed in his efforts, and Dr. Rush received the appointment. Boudinot's hesitancy was not based on rancor, but on the belief that Dr. Rush could not devote enough time to his duties as Mint treasurer. But Dr. Rush had promised his wife's uncle that he would indeed give his full attention to the treasurer's duties as prescribed by the law which established the Mint in 1792.

However, it did not take long for Boudinot to learn that Rush was not living up to his promise, and the Mint director tried unsuccessfully to get his relative by marriage to resign. This merely signaled the beginning of hostilities between the two men. Boudinot alleged that Dr. Rush spent little time tending to his duties at the Mint. He charged that Rush's major activity was placing his signature on letters and reports prepared by subordinates. Irritated by his failure to keep his word, Boudinot was involved in several heated arguments with the physician-turned-treasurer, and the rift between them widened.

In September 1802, angered by what he considered a great injustice committed against him by his wife's uncle, Rush sent a vitriolic letter to Boudinot. In it, the physician wrote that henceforth he would hold no intercourse with his uncle, and he alluded to some questionable activities involving the Mint director.

He also threatened that Nathaniel Thomas, a former Mint clerk, would be able to substantiate the charges he was prepared to make. Thomas had left the Mint after a misunderstanding over his removal and later return of certain Mint records.

The 63-year old Boudinot, described by observers as a generally kindly and religious man, called the officials of the Mint together and read them the letter from Rush. An attempt was made by Mint officials to have the feuding relatives forget their differences and heal their hurt feelings.

Dr. Rush was adamant however, and wrote to each of the would-be peace makers, explaining that he believed it his duty to tell of the improper practices alluded to in his letter. Among the charges directed at Boudinot was the fact that he had paid one of his tenants, Joseph Pierson, five per cent commission on certain purchases made by him for Mint use. These commissions would not have been necessary if the purchases had been made by clerks working for the Mint.

Perhaps the most damning of the charges directed at Boudinot was Rush's allegation that Boudinot had "taken all the dung from the Mint

stables for his own use over a period of several years without crediting the Mint for it." Denying petulance, Rush insisted that should "Mr. Boudinot make retribution in value for what he has taken from the Mint above his salary no further notice shall be taken by me of his conduct."

A copy of this highly emotional letter found its way into the hands of Elias Boudinot on the same day it was written. The Mint director immediately penned a letter to each of the officials: Gentlemen:

I received the very extraordinary letter you received from Dr. Rush and forwarded to me by Mr. Eckfeldt. All I think proper, at present, to say upon it is, that it confirms me greatly in my opinion of this unhappy man. I pity him, and consider him as one bent on his own destruction, which he is hastening much faster than I could wish.

Whenever I shall condescend to put myself on a par with him or Mr. Thomas his associate, or trouble myself about any falsehoods they may think proper to fabricate between them, then indeed I should think my ownself somewhat culpable — I doubt not you feel the same consciousness of perfect integrity, that I do, with regard to all our conduct in the Mint, I hope therefore you will not give yourselves a moment's consideration on his malicious charges. There will, very soon, be an opportunity of fully justifying ourselves.

All I have expected from you, on my part is, that you will declare your knowledge of my conduct according to your nicest sense of truth and honor; and if that will not serve me, I am willing to abide by the consequences.

I am Gentlemen with a perfect sense of your integrity and faithfulness in the execution of your trusts,

Your very humble servant,
E. Boudinot

Trying not to cloud the issue, Boudinot did not mention in his letter that Dr. Rush had been offered the Mint directorship, just prior to the resignation of David Rittenhouse, in 1795. This was another thorn in the side of Rush, who had declined the offer at the time because he felt that the salary of \$750 a year would not fairly compensate him for his time.

The post had then been offered to and accepted by Boudinot. Two years later, with the income from his medical practice failing to increase, mostly because of his unpopular advocacy of blood-letting as a cure for yellow fever, Dr. Rush had asked Boudinot to help him secure the position as Mint treasurer. And, as previously mentioned, with misgivings, Boudinot complied.

The facts surrounding Dr. Rush's medical practice make interesting reading; however, they may be read in his autobiography, edited by George W. Corner. What is of importance to our numismatic account is that President John Adams had granted Rush the treasurer's position in November 1797. Later, in 1808, Rush wrote Adams that between 1797 and 1807 he had lost an estimated \$30,000 in his professional income because of his medical theories and practices. "Had it not been for the emoluments of the office you gave me," he wrote Adams, "I must have retired from the city and ended my days upon a farm upon the little capital I had saved from the labors of former years . . . Even with the addition of the income from the Mint which you gave me, I spent for several years from twelve to fifteen hundred dollars a year more than the income from my business."

This helps to explain why Dr. Rush clung so stubbornly to his position at the Mint.

The most serious charge in Rush's accusations, that concerning the Mint dung, was answered by Boudinot's tenant, Joseph Pierson. Filing an affidavit, Pierson explained that the dung from the Mint stable had been formerly hauled away at an expense to the Mint. There was only a small storage area for it; and, after an interview with the director and Sybert, the Mint hostler, Pierson had agreed to haul the dung away free of any charges. He also claimed to have hauled away cinders and dirt free until the Mint got a cart of its own.

Pierson's affidavit also swore that the tenant had furnished to the Mint free straw to be used as litter whenever he had any to spare. As for the charge that he had collected five per cent commission on purchases, Pierson stated that his commission had amounted to about \$16.50 on purchases of wood, grain and hay, all purchased at the lowest possible prices. He cited an instance, during a scarcity of charcoal, when he had

gone to New Jersey at Boudinot's request, and purchased a supply which earned him one cent on each bushel for his trouble and expense. It seemed obvious to many observers that, based on the evidence, Dr. Rush's charges were primarily a desire to continue the heated controversy existing between the two men.

New fuel was added to the feud when charges and countercharges were made by the two over the contested will of Boudinot's son-in-law, William Bradford, concerning the disappearance of some shares in the Bank of the United States. Nevertheless, officials of the Mint continued in their efforts to end the fighting.

In October 1802, Dr. Rush wrote to Joseph Richardson, a well known Quaker and official at the Mint. The latter had tried to make peace between the two strong willed men. His letters attempting to reconcile the differences between Rush and Boudinot begin, "Dear Friends."

Their replies have been preserved in different sources and, it is believed, are published together here for the first time. Rush's autobiography contains the following answer to Richardson:

... "Mr. Boudinot has accused me unjustly and cruelly of having taken a false affirmation in Court in order to deprive his daughter of a part of her husband's estate. By the remoteness of the time (nearly five years) and the manner in which he put his accusation in my hands he has violated the obligations of consanguinity, friendship, humanity and religion. Relying upon the influence in Society, which he derives from his wealth, office and uncommon professions of piety, to establish his evidence he has refused to hear from me a refutation of his charges and a defence of my innocence. This conduct at first surprised and distressed me, for I had been in the habit of believing him to be a religious and honest man and a most sincere friend for upwards of five and twenty years.

"I no longer wonder at his attack upon my veracity, for his avarice I have discovered knows no restraints from the laws of God or man. You will readily perceive your good offices cannot be effectually employed. Having the means of doing myself justice, and partly from Mr. Boudinot's own hand, I cannot consent to any intercourse with him until he retracts the falsehoods he has pro-

pagated against me."

Boudinot's reactions to the peacemaking attempts of Richardson can be found in Stewart's "History of the First U.S. Mint." In December 1802, Boudinot responded to Richardson:

"Your letter gave me pleasure, as I profess myself a lover of peace and concord. You well know that perfect harmony has prevailed in the Mint for seven years past, and if it has lately been broken up in any degree whatever, I feel myself free from blame. It has been occasioned by substituting ingratitude for friendship, violent uncontrolled passion for reason, and you cannot be ignorant that when reason takes its flight, and when judgement has no exercise, very vicious effect must be the consequences. It is my preference henceforth, to leave such persons to the punishment of their own conscience, and to withdraw immediately from them as unworthy of my confidence, and judge them too dangerous even to maintain any intercourse whatever with them. Nevertheless I can with great sincerity, pity, pray for and forgive persons of so unhappy a character, and heartily wish them a speedy and effectual return of their reason and a contrite repentance. Your love of peace and kind endeavors to restore it are entitled to my sincere thanks, which I cordially give you."

Time did not heal the wound or drown the flames separating the two men. Nor did Dr. Rush's anger weaken as the years progressed. Whenever he had the opportunity, he continued to defame Boudinot's name.

And in September of the following year, Dr. Rush again wrote Adams, attacking Boudinot.

In 1811, Rush continued to demonstrate his hatred of Boudinot. In another of his letters to John Adams, concerning the Bank of the United States, he voiced his displeasure of Boudinot.

Justification for the angry outbursts, from Dr. Rush, or explanation for the studied silence of Elias Boudinot would be mere speculation at this point in history. What is known is that Dr. Rush continued in his position as treasurer of the Mint until his death. There is no evidence on record to suggest that the feud between these two great men ever was resolved.

Dr. Rush died in Philadelphia on April 19, 1813, of typhus fever. Boudinot died at Burlington, New Jersey, on October 24, 1821. □

Franklin Mint's Not A Mint?

A Franklin Mint spokesman has denied an allegation by a Bell Atlantic Management Services Inc. official that a medal struck for distribution by that firm was the last to be minted by the Franklin Mint.

The medal, in a card holder, commemorates the Bell System's 107 years of telecommunications history on the obverse, and the birth of Bell Atlantic on the reverse.

Approximately 80,000 of the Proof surface medals were struck in Franklin bronze and sent to active employees of Bell Atlantic.

Archie A. Black, first vice president of the Garden State Numismatic Association and an active Bell System employee for 27 years, became one of the recipients of the commemorative medal, and subsequently inquired about the mintage and the minting source.

Eileen S. Pereira, Bell Atlantic's regional manager of employee communications, responded with the mintage figures, and told Black that the pieces were struck by the Franklin Mint, with the design "a combined effort of the Franklin Mint staff and our own internal creative staff."

"I also understand that these medals are the last to be minted by the Franklin Mint," she added.

A Franklin Mint spokesman, contacted by *Coin World*, denied that the Bell System/Bell Atlantic medal was the last of the firm's custom-minted medals; though he conceded that the Franklin Mint's custom minting program had been "downscaled."

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In an attempt to coordinate show dates for the Coin Clubs in New Jersey, GSNA will publish, in each issue of the NJNJ the dates of any coin club show. It is hoped that by providing this information, clubs will be better able to plan their show and avoid conflicts with other clubs, whether GSNA members or not, to cooperate in this long overdue attempt to eliminate bucking each other competing for the same interested persons to attend 3 or 4 shows scheduled on the same day. Only your help and cooperation will resolve this annual problem which sometimes causes bad feelings among some of the clubs.

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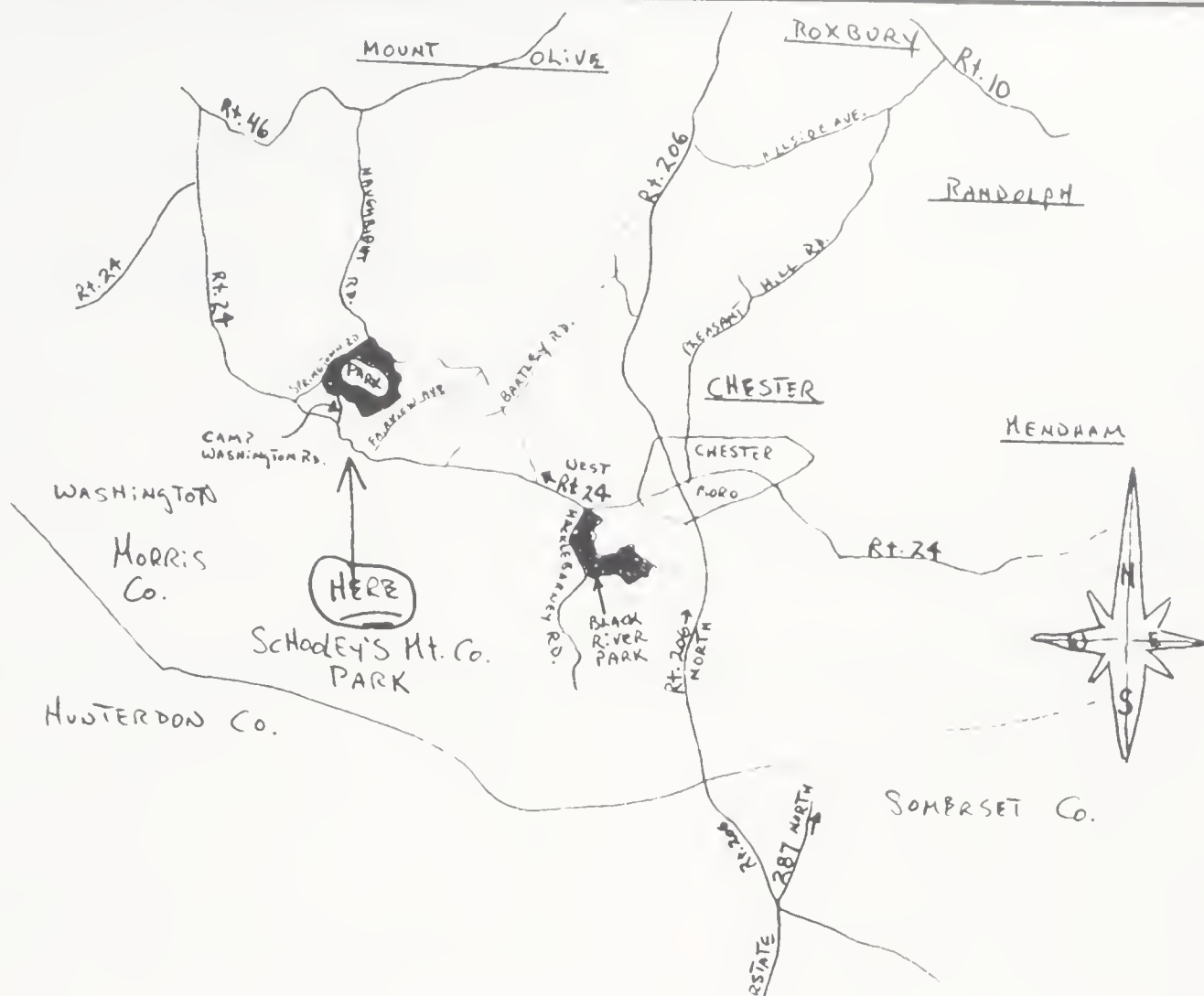
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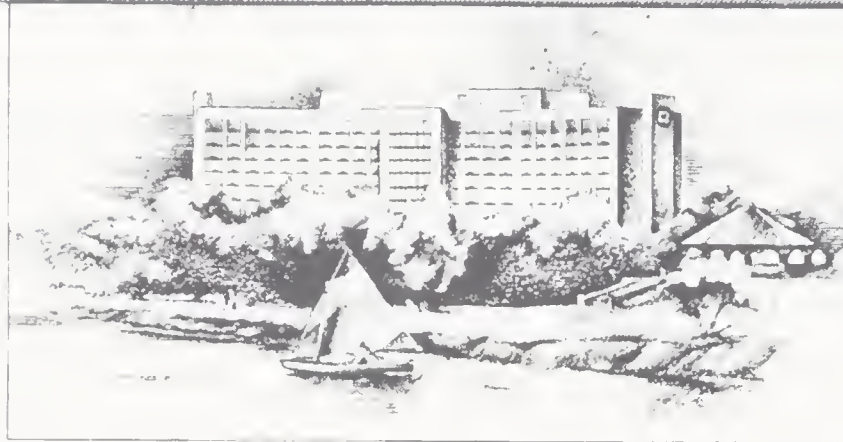
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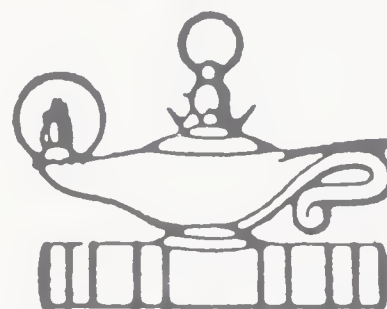
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